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Eminem Writes From Rabbit's Perspective For '8 Mile' Album

Soundtrack features four new songs from Em, who wrote from his character's point of view.
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Add Rabbit to the list of characters in Marshall Mathers' rapping repertoire.

With four new tracks on the "8 Mile" soundtrack -- one featuring Obie Trice and 50 Cent -- the voice behind Eminem and Slim Shady has found another set of life stories to tell.

"The '8 Mile' soundtrack was different because it forced me to step into Rabbit, the character I play in the film, and write from his point of view," Eminem said in a statement. "It was a challenge."

Eminem spent last week in Detroit shooting the video for "Lose Yourself," the first single from the soundtrack, due October 29. Phillip Atwell, who has co-directed several of Slim's videos, and the rapper's manager, Paul Rosenberg, co-directed the clip, which will blend performance shots with scenes from the movie.

The "8 Mile" soundtrack also features revered rappers Jay-Z, Nas, Xzibit, Rakim, and Gang Starr, along with the rhyme slingers on Eminem's Shady Records -- D12, 50 Cent and Obie Trice (see [article id="1457815"]" '8 Mile' Soundtrack To Include Cuts From Eminem, Jay-Z, Nas"[/article]).

"Wanksta," by Queens rapper 50 Cent, is getting airplay and will likely be the album's second single, according to a spokesperson for Interscope Records, who released the final track list on Tuesday.

Other artists on the soundtrack include singer Macy Gray, the Outsidaz's Young Zee, and Boomkat, the group featuring "8 Mile" co-star Taryn Manning (see [article id="1450951"]"Britney's Pal, Eminem's Squeeze -- Taryn Manning's Been Both"[/article]).

"8 Mile," directed by Curtis Hanson ("L.A. Confidential") and co-starring Kim Basinger, will hit theaters November 8.

For a full-length feature on Eminem, check out "Eminem: When The Music Stops."

"8 Mile" soundtrack track list, according to Interscope:

- Eminem - "Lose Yourself"
- Eminem - "8 Mile"
- Eminem - "Run Rabbit Run"
- Obie Trice/Eminem/50 Cent - "Love Me"
- 50 Cent - "Places to Go"
- 50 Cent - "Wanksta"
- D12 - "Rap Game"
- Nas - "You Wanna Be Me"
- Jay-Z - "8 Miles and Running"
- Young Zee - "That's My N---a Fo Real"
- Gang Starr - "Battle"
- Xzibit - "Spitshine"
- Macy Gray - "Time of Your Life"
- Boomkat - "Wasting My Time"
- Rakim - "R.A.K.I.M."
- Obie Trice - "Adrenaline Rush"